

DALSTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Forge Green
Dalston
CA5 7QJ
Tel: 01228 712766
Email: clerk@dalston.org.uk

Minutes of the monthly Parish Council Meeting held at Forge Green, Dalston on Tuesday
10th January 2017.

S. Milburn Clerk

Present

Cllr Byers Cllr Ebbatson Cllr Baxter Cllr Potter Cllr Roberts Cllr Drouet
Cllr Kyle Cllr Dalton Cllr Rickerby Cllr Auld Cllr Newton Cllr Kaye-Kreczkowski
Cllr Craig

Apologies

Cllr Lancaster Cllr Cowen

Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th December 2016 were approved and signed by Cllr Byers as a true record.

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

Cllr Kyle for the Victory Hall proposal (agenda item 3).

158/17 Public Participation

Apologies were received from Cllr Allison, Cllr McKerrell and Cllr Christian. In attendance were Tony Sinclair and Dallas Brewis. A progress report was requested in regards to having a speed gun in the village, Cllr Byers reported that everything was in place however trying to arrange for the necessary training was proving to be very difficult. The Parish Council were also asked if they would be able to fund tidying up the cycle path; over the last year the vegetation has become extremely overgrown thus encroaching onto the path making some parts extremely narrow. It was decided to arrange a Section 106 meeting where this could be discussed further.

159/17 Planning Decisions and Applications

Planning Decisions:

Appn Ref: 16/0916 1&2 Barras Lane, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7ND. Change Of Use 1 Barras Lane From Residential To Commercial Offices With External Light Industrial Storage Use And Vehicle Parking; Works To 1&2 Barras Lane To Make Good The Commercial Appearance Of Both Properties By Cladding The Roof, Front & Side Profiles; Removal Of Both Front Porches And Re-Positioning Of Front Doors To Sides And Removal Of Chimney Stacks; Provision Of Secure Compound To Rear And Side Of 1 Barras Lane By Erecting 2.4 Metre High Palisade Fence And Vehicle Access Gate To Side; Removal Of Existing Trees; Provision Of Sub-Base And Dressed Stone To Surface With Natural Drainage. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 16/0353 Nestle UK Ltd, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7NH. Installation Of Internally Illuminated Signage. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref 16/0955 7 Lingyclose Road, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7LB. Two Storey Extension To Provide Kitchen/Dining Room, WC And Double Garage To Ground Floor With 2No. Additional En-Suite Bedrooms And Bathrooms Above. Grant Permission.

Appn Ref 16/0867 Brecon Hill, Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DE. Change Of Use Of Barn To Garage / MOT. Centre And Demolition Of Part Agricultural Building (Part Retrospective). Grant Permission.

Appn Ref: 16/0907 Land Adjacent Buckabank Hall, Buckabank, Carlisle, CA5 7AA. Erection Of 2No. Detached Dwellings On Agricultural Land (Revised Application). Grant Permission.

As requested at the meeting on the 10th December 2016 more detailed plans were shown for planning application 16/1059. Church Farm, The Square, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7PL. Conversion Of Agricultural Buildings To Provide 3no. Dwellings And Kitchen Extension Existing Farmhouse, Together With Erection Of Single Store Building To Link Extension To Farmhouse. There were no observations.

160/17 Victory Hall

Cllr Kyle circulated the Victory Hall refurbishment proposal to the Councillors. At the special meeting of the Parish Council on the 23rd March 2016

the following resolution was made:- 'Dalston Parish Council resolves that it needs to move its office and meeting room to a central location in Dalston if this can be achieved'. The Councillors present agreed that any improvements to the Victory Hall would be welcomed. However concerns were raised regarding the footprint of the building and the rental charge of £4,500 per annum. Cllr Auld proposed to defer the decision until all of the facts had been received including those from the Dalston Parochial Church Council. Cllr Roberts seconded this, 11 councillors agreed and 2 councillors abstained.

As the Victory Hall have a meeting on the 12th January and the proposals are to be discussed Cllr Kyle asked what the general feeling around the table was; 4 councillors preferred the church option, 2 councillors preferred staying at Forge Green, 1 councillor preferred the Victory Hall if the rent was reduced and 2 councillors preferred whatever would be the most cost effective option for the Parish Council.

161/17 Clerk and Chairman's Report

- It was reported that Chris Scales the newly appointed RFO has resigned. Craig Mitchell has since been offered the position and accepted. Craig started work on 9th January 2017.
- NALC has been requested by the Lord Chamberlain's office to inform member Councils that Her Majesty is holding a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on 23rd May 2017 and Cumbria County Council has been nominated 4 places. Invitations are in recognition of past Chairmen of the Parish Council. Cllr Baxter proposed that Cllr Auld be nominated to attend the party and this was seconded by Cllr Roberts. Clerk to complete the necessary paperwork.
- Cumbria County Council have given permission for the Glave Hill Court sign to be removed from the grass area outside the Co-op. Cllr Newton kindly agreed to remove the sign.
- A meeting has been arranged with Roger Higgins on 18th January 2017 to discuss the damp proof work and windows at Forge Green, Cllr Byers, Cllr Auld and Cllr Craig are to attend, Cllr Cowen will also be asked to attend.

162/17 Correspondence

- A Britain In Bloom finalist seminar is to be held in Nottingham on the 2nd February 2017, this will be attended by Ronnie and Liz Auld. As they are funding their accommodation and travel it was proposed by Cllr Roberts that the seminar fee of £25 per person would be paid by the Parish Council, this was seconded by Cllr Newton.
- A letter from the Criminal Justice System has been received outlining the outcome of the case against William Robson Adams. The hearing was held on the 20th December 2016 at Carlisle Magistrates Court. Mr Adams pleaded guilty of the following charges:-
 1. Keep for sale specimen of species imported / acquired unlawfully.
 2. Fraud by false representation – Fraud Act 2006.
 3. Wildlife – uprooting wild plants.Mr Adams was given a £370 fine and ordered to pay £85 prosecution costs and £20 victim surcharge.
- In commemoration and remembrance of the end of the First World War a century ago a chain of 1,000 beacons are to be lit throughout the United Kingdom, this is to take place on 11th November 2018 at 7pm. The Parish Council agreed to take part.
- A letter of thanks has been received from the Festival Committee thanking the Parish Council for taking part in the Christmas tree display in St Michaels Church.
- Cumbria County Council has given notice of the introduction of a 30mph speed limit on the B5299 at Dalston from a point 90m south west of its junction with the C2048 for a total distance of 580m in a northerly direction (NB: This replaces the existing 40 mph speed limit from a point 36m south of its junction with the C1014 at Dalston Bridge, extending for a distance of 949m in a southerly direction). Also the C2048 at Dalston from its junction with the B5299 near 'The Oaks' for a

distance of 64m in a south westerly direction (NB: This replaces the existing 40mph speed limit from its junction with the B5299 near 'Hillside' for a distance of 71m in a westerly direction).

- Councillors were given the opportunity to subscribe to Clerks & Councils Direct for an annual fee of £12, the magazine covers local council affairs across England and Wales.

163/17 Kingsway Car Park

Cllr Byers and Cllr Auld met on the 20th December 2016 to look at possible areas to place a directional car parking sign for the Kingsway car park. Their preferred location for the sign is on the lamp post on the pavement adjacent to the Co-op opposite the car park entrance. Clerk to source signs and prices for the next meeting on the 14th February 2017.

Signage for the public toilets was also discussed, councillors were asked to look at the current signs so a decision on the signage can be made at the next meeting. Clerk to speak to Chris Read (Carlisle City Council) as it had been agreed that fascia boards would be put up on the toilets.

164/17 Summerfields Play Area

A letter has been received from Luke Leathers (Cumbria County Council) regarding Summerfields play equipment. The letter states that as the play equipment and surfacing at the Summerfield site is coming to an end of its safe and useful life and because improved play facilities have been provided at the Recreation Centre the County Council are planning to remove the fixed equipment and safety surfacing. The space will be retained as green space for informal play and will continue to be maintained by the City Council.

The councillors agreed that there is still a need for the play area as there has been an increase in the number of parishioners in the northern side of the village due to the Grange development. The area is well used and provides a safe area for children to play. It was also felt that the volume of traffic would increase if it was removed as parents would need to take their children to the Recreation park. It was suggested that the S106 money could be used to replace some of the equipment, Cllr Byers is to arrange a meeting with the S106 working group. Clerk to write to Luke Leathers expressing the councillors concerns.

165/17 Financial

The authorisation sheet was discussed and the following payments approved.

PAYE	DESCRIPTION	CHEQUE No.	AMOUNT £
Eric Davidson	Grave digging	000130	£300
Pamela Coke	Purchase of Christmas tree St Michaels Church	000131	£25
Susan Milburn	Mileage – PC notices	000132	£9
Mike Capstick	Plants for parish planters	000133	£70.76

An additional cheque of £50 was authorised and signed. Cheque no. 000136 was made payable to the Royal Horticultural Society this was payment for the Britain In Bloom seminar in February.

The Clerks / RFO agreed salary, PAYE & NI was paid.

166/17 Cemetery Matters

- To ratify the interment of the late Vernon Addison in burial plot Ward 5, Section H, Space 21 on Friday the 6th January 2017 at 11am.

167/17 Councillor Matters

- Clerk was requested to write to Carlisle City Council to request that information in relation to the Southern Bypass and proposed garden village is forwarded to the Parish Council as it becomes available. It was noted that present information can be found on the Carlisle City Council website.
- It was reported that Lattimers have cut back some of the hedge at Kingswood. Cllr Potter is to speak to Lattimers to see if they could cut back the remainder of the hedge on the corner.
- Correspondence has been received from the Cumbria Bridleway Society regarding the Rights of Way in the parish; they have carried out historical research into 'Lost Ways' rights of way which existed in the past but have been lost or under recorded on the County definitive map. The society believe that this applies to several routes within the parish of Dalston. Cllr Byers is to speak to David Wood (Redspearlands).

Date of Forthcoming Meetings

Next meeting of The Parish Council to take place on 14th February 2017 at 7.15pm at Forge Green.

Policy & Resource Meeting Dates for 2017:- TBA.

Property & Maintenance Meeting dates for 2017:- TBA

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.